

GRADE 8 SUMMER READING LIST

All students should read these two books and be prepared to take the Reading Counts test on them in September. Both books are Reading Olympics books.

The Third Eye by Lois Duncan

The Trouble with Lemons by Daniel Hayes

Students are to complete the following questions for each book. **Please type the answers and staple the papers together.** You will turn them in to your ILA teacher during the first week of school.

1. Identify the main characters in the book. Choose one character and tell why this character is important in the story.
2. What really stood out for you in the story? Why? Be prepared to share this in class.
3. What was the best part of the book for you and tell the page? Why? You will be asked to share this passage aloud with the class.
4. After reading this book, what questions do you still have about the story, or what questions do you have for the author?
5. Make a list of 20 words that are new, interesting, hard, important, or different in the book and include the page number. Find the appropriate definition in a dictionary and write it down.
6. Draw a picture that is related to the reading. It can be a character, the setting, a problem, an exciting part, a prediction etc. Write a sentence describing the scene.
7. Tell about a connection between the reading to your own life, to similar events at other times and places, to other people or problems.